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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009-10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 846

Introduced by Assembly Member Torrico

February 26, 2009

An act to add Section 12999.7 to the Food and Agricultural Code, to add—Section 25196.5 Sections 25196.5 and 43032 to the Health and Safety Code, to add Section 6437 to the Labor Code, and to add Section 13363 to the Water Code, relating to civil and administrative penalties.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 846, as amended, Torrico. State agencies: civil and administrative penalties.

The Administrative Procedure Act contains provisions governing the conduct of administrative adjudication for state agencies.

This bill would require the Director of Pesticide Regulation, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the Department of Industrial Relations, *the State Air Resources Board*, and the State Water Resources

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Control Board to update the maximum and minimum amounts of specified civil and administrative penalties for inflation or deflation using the Consumer Price Index, as provided. The bill would require the updated penalties to be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the California Code of Regulations.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the 2 California Civil Penalties Inflation Supplement and Enforcement 3
- 4 SEC. 2. Section 12999.7 is added to the Food and Agricultural Code, to read:
 - 12999.7. (a) The director shall update, by February 15, 2011, and on January 1 every four years thereafter, all civil and administrative penalties imposed pursuant to this article, Section 14027, and Article 5 (commencing with Section 11891) of Chapter 4 of Division 6 to adjust the maximum and minimum amounts specified in those provisions for inflation or deflation, as established by the amount by which the Consumer Price Index for the month of June of the year prior to the adjustment exceeds, or is less than, the Consumer Price Index for June of the calendar year in which legislation was last enacted establishing or amending the amount of the penalty.
 - (b) The amount of any penalties determined pursuant to this subdivision section shall be rounded as follows:
 - (1) To the nearest multiple of ten dollars (\$10) in the case of a penalty less than or equal to one hundred dollars (\$100).
 - (2) To the nearest multiple of one hundred dollars (\$100) in the case of a penalty greater than one hundred dollars (\$100) but less than or equal to one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 - (3) To the nearest multiple of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in the case of a penalty greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) but less than or equal to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).
 - (4) To the nearest multiple of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in the case of a penalty greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) but less than or equal to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

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(5) To the nearest multiple of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in the case of a penalty greater than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) but less than or equal to two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).

- (6) To the nearest multiple of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in the case of a penalty greater than two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).
- (c) Inflation adjustments made pursuant to this—subdivision section shall be exempt from the requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.
- (d) Updated penalties resulting from inflation adjustments made pursuant to this section shall be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the California Code of Regulations.
- SEC. 3. Section 25196.5 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
- 25196.5. (a) The department shall update, by February 15, 2011, and on January 1 every four years thereafter, all civil and administrative penalties imposed pursuant to this chapter to adjust the maximum and minimum amounts specified in this chapter for inflation or deflation, as established by the amount by which the Consumer Price Index for the month of June of the year prior to the adjustment exceeds, or is less than, the Consumer Price Index for June of the calendar year in which legislation was last enacted establishing or amending the amount of the penalty.
- (b) The amount of any penalties determined pursuant to this subdivision section shall be rounded as follows:
- (1) To the nearest multiple of ten dollars (\$10) in the case of a penalty less than or equal to one hundred dollars (\$100).
- (2) To the nearest multiple of one hundred dollars (\$100) in the case of a penalty greater than one hundred dollars (\$100) but less than or equal to one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
- (3) To the nearest multiple of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in the case of a penalty greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) but less than or equal to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).
- (4) To the nearest multiple of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in the case of a penalty greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) but less than or equal to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).
- (5) To the nearest multiple of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in the case of a penalty greater than one hundred thousand dollars

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1 (\$100,000) but less than or equal to two hundred thousand dollars 2 (\$200,000).

- (6) To the nearest multiple of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in the case of a penalty greater than two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).
- (c) Inflation adjustments made pursuant to this—subdivision section shall be exempt from the requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.
- (d) Updated penalties resulting from inflation adjustments made pursuant to this section shall be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the California Code of Regulations.
- SEC. 4. Section 43032 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
- 43032. (a) By February 15, 2011, and on January 1 every four years thereafter, the state board shall update all civil and administrative penalties imposed pursuant to this chapter to adjust the maximum and minimum amounts specified in this chapter for inflation or deflation, as established by the amount by which the Consumer Price Index for the month of June of the year prior to the adjustment exceeds, or is less than, the Consumer Price Index for June of the calendar year in which legislation was last enacted establishing or amending the amount of the penalty.
- (b) The amount of any penalties determined pursuant to this section shall be rounded as follows:
- (1) To the nearest multiple of ten dollars (\$10) in the case of a penalty less than or equal to one hundred dollars (\$100).
- (2) To the nearest multiple of one hundred dollars (\$100) in the case of a penalty greater than one hundred dollars (\$100) but less than or equal to one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
- (3) To the nearest multiple of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in the case of a penalty greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) but less than or equal to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).
- (4) To the nearest multiple of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in the case of a penalty greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) but less than or equal to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).
- (5) To the nearest multiple of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in the case of a penalty greater than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) but less than or equal to two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).

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(6) To the nearest multiple of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in the case of a penalty greater than two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).

- (c) Inflation adjustments made pursuant to this section shall be exempt from the requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.
- (d) Updated penalties resulting from inflation adjustments made pursuant to this section shall be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the California Code of Regulations.

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- SEC. 5. Section 6437 is added to the Labor Code, to read:
- 6437. (a) The department shall update, by February 15, 2011, and on January 1 every four years thereafter, all civil and administrative penalties imposed pursuant to this part to adjust the maximum and minimum amounts specified in this part for inflation or deflation, as established by the amount by which the Consumer Price Index for the month of June of the year prior to the adjustment exceeds, or is less than, the Consumer Price Index for June of the calendar year in which legislation was last enacted establishing or amending the amount of the penalty.
- (b) The amount of any penalties determined pursuant to this subdivision section shall be rounded as follows:
- (1) To the nearest multiple of ten dollars (\$10) in the case of a penalty less than or equal to one hundred dollars (\$100).
- (2) To the nearest multiple of one hundred dollars (\$100) in the case of a penalty greater than one hundred dollars (\$100) but less than or equal to one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
- (3) To the nearest multiple of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in the case of a penalty greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) but less than or equal to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).
- (4) To the nearest multiple of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in the case of a penalty greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) but less than or equal to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).
- 35 (5) To the nearest multiple of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in 36 the case of a penalty greater than one hundred thousand dollars 37 (\$100,000) but less than or equal to two hundred thousand dollars 38 (\$200,000).

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(6) To the nearest multiple of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in the case of a penalty greater than two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).

- (c) Inflation adjustments made pursuant to this—subdivision section shall be exempt from the requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.
- (d) Updated penalties resulting from inflation adjustments made pursuant to this section shall be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the California Code of Regulations.

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- SEC. 6. Section 13363 is added to the Water Code, to read:
- 13363. (a) The state board shall update, by February 15, 2011, and on January 1 every four years thereafter, all civil and administrative penalties imposed pursuant to this division or pursuant to Section 25270.12, 25299, or 25299.76 of the Health and Safety Code to adjust the maximum and minimum amounts specified in those provisions for inflation or deflation, as established by the amount by which the Consumer Price Index for the month of June of the year prior to the adjustment exceeds, or is less than, the Consumer Price Index for June of the calendar year in which legislation was last enacted establishing or amending the amount of the penalty.
- (b) The amount of any penalties determined pursuant to this subdivision section shall be rounded as follows:
- (1) To the nearest multiple of ten dollars (\$10) in the case of a penalty less than or equal to one hundred dollars (\$100).
- (2) To the nearest multiple of one hundred dollars (\$100) in the case of a penalty greater than one hundred dollars (\$100) but less than or equal to one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
- (3) To the nearest multiple of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in the case of a penalty greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) but less than or equal to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).
- (4) To the nearest multiple of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in the case of a penalty greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) but less than or equal to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).
- (5) To the nearest multiple of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in the case of a penalty greater than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) but less than or equal to two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).

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(6) To the nearest multiple of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in the case of a penalty greater than two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).

- (c) Inflation adjustments made pursuant to this—subdivision section shall be exempt from the requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.
- (d) Updated penalties resulting from inflation adjustments made pursuant to this section shall be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the California Code of Regulations.